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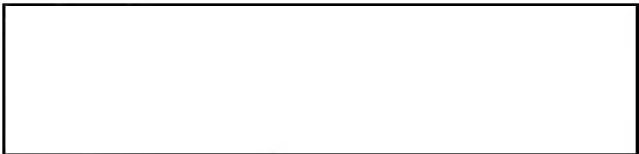
SUBJECT: DCI Response to Chairman Holifield's, House Government Operations Committee, Letter of 23 February 1973.

1. In meeting with Herb Roback, Staff Director, Legislation and Military Operations Subcommittee of the House Government Operations Committee, this afternoon he appeared very concerned that the Director has not responded to Chairman Holifield's letter of 23 February concerning the training of police. I told him the DCI had received other queries on this matter and wants to touch a couple of bases before responding. Roback pointed out once again that the Chairman has been under extreme pressure by both the Democratic Caucus and members of the Committee concerning investigation of activities in the Executive Branch and, in particular, jurisdiction over the Central Intelligence Agency within the Government Operations Committee. These pressures notwithstanding, it was Roback's opinion, and the Chairman had agreed in the meeting with Jack Maury and the undersigned on 8 February, that this exchange of correspondence would be an appropriate method to avoid open hearings on the question and to put it to rest without undue interference with the Director in the conduct of Agency activities.

2. Roback pointed out that the Chairman has jurisdiction in this matter. It would place him in a most difficult position if it "should now break out in some other quarter."

3. I thanked Roback for the advice.

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